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An Act To Include the Study of Franco-American History in the System of Learning Results

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4706, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2001, c. 403, §1, is further amended to read:

1. American history. American history and civil government, including the Constitution of the United States, the Declaration of Independence, the importance of voting and the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship, must be taught in and required for graduation from all elementary and secondary schools, both public and private. Required components of American history include the study of Franco-American history and the study of the influence of French intellectual thought on American history, which must be included in the review of content standards and performance indicators of the system of learning results conducted in accordance with section 6209, subsection 4.

SUMMARY

This bill amends the law governing instruction in history in schools to require the inclusion of Franco-American history and the study of the influence of French intellectual thought on American history.